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In re application of: Ian Hunter, Colin J.H. Brenan and Tanya S. Kanigan

Application No.: 09/850,123

Filed: 05/07/2001

For: Methods for Screening Substances in a Microwell Array

Group No.: 1754

Examiner: Soderquist, A.



**RESPONSE UNDER  
37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application. Also enclosed is a Terminal Disclaimer.

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## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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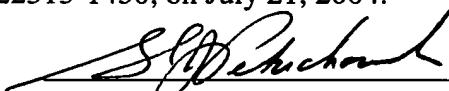
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Response to Final Office Action of April 21, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 21, 2004 and made final, please amend the above application, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116, as follows:

A requested **Amendment to the Specification** is to be found on page 2 of this paper.

A **Listing of Claims**, including requested amendments to claims 1, 17, and 25, begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9.